

DEAR CITY COUNCIL:

I live with my family on over 1 acre in Haleiwa, and have had a recreation room for family for over 20 years, and which existed at the time I purchased the property. I now have grown children that have moved into our home again, as well as elderly kupuna living with us, as the local economy and property values do not allow for my family to all have separate housing and my parents (nor us) can afford elder housing or residential care.

For over a year my neighbor is complaining about my family residing on my property and calls the County to harass my family and cause spiteful inspections regarding same. This proposed Bill will allow my family to live in the O'hana unit and or rent the residence for all of our benefit. Also, the Bill 20 will relieve the County of countless inspections by disgruntled neighbors, when the Counties' resources could be put to better use.

The cultural tradition of the islands is that the family lives together and supports each other. Bill 20 will support the tradition of O'hana and provide for additional rental income for local families (from their own property asset) so that we can stay on Oahu and not have to sell our homes and move to the mainland to survive.

We support BILL 20 (2015) and its adoption.

Mahalo, and thank you for your public service to our community.

Jennifer Smith & Ohana

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